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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. ____**

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A RESOLUTION honoring Elise Studer-Smith.

Whereas, Elise Studer-Smith was named the Midwest District Elementary School Physical Education Teacher of the Year by the National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE);

Whereas, The Midwest District Elementary School Physical Education Teacher of the Year award is given "in recognition of outstanding teaching performance at the elementary school level and the ability to motivate today's youth to participate in a lifetime of physical activity";

Whereas, Elise, an elementary/middle school physical

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education teacher at Sunman-Dearborn Intermediate School in West Harrison, has been teaching since 1977;

Whereas, In addition to teaching physical education, Elise coaches volleyball, track, and the Special Olympics;

Whereas, Elise's curriculum emphasizes fitness and fundamental skill development and integrates homework to reinforce class discussion;

Whereas, In addition to her work with the students, Elise organized "Walking to New Orleans", a fundraiser to help raise awareness of and money for those affected by Hurricane Katrina, and over 24 Jump Rope for Heart events;

Whereas, Elise is actively involved with the Indiana Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance, serving as adapted program director, awards committee member, regional coordinator, and Jump Rope for Heart program director;

Whereas, Elise is recognized by Superintendent John Roeder as "an exemplary teacher and the most dedicated person I know to the goal of improving fitness and health for all Indiana school children"; and

Whereas, The Indiana House of Representatives wishes to express its gratitude for all the effort put forth by Elise Studer-Smith in helping the children of Indiana to improve their physical fitness and health: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives
2 congratulates Elise Studer-Smith for being name Midwest District
3 Elementary School Physical Education Teacher of the Year and
4 commends her for her efforts to encourage students to improve their
5 physical fitness and health.

6 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
7 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Elise Studer-Smith
8 and her family, principal Christina Vennemeier, and superintendent
9 John Roeder.

